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<b>PUBLIC MEETING MINUTES:</b>	<b>Board of Speech Pathology, Audiology and Hearing Aid</b>
<b>MEETING DATE AND TIME:</b>	<b>Tuesday, September 20, 2011 at 2:00 p.m.</b>
<b>PLACE:</b>	861 Silver Lake Boulevard, Dover, Delaware <b>Conference Room B</b> , second floor of the Cannon Building
<b>MINUTES APPROVED</b>	10/18/2011

**MEMBERS PRESENT**

Dr. Mary Ann Connolly-Gaskin, Professional Member, President, Presiding  
Lisa Marencin, Professional Member, Secretary  
Roberta Burtch, Professional Member  
Valerie Cloutier, Public Member  
Illene Courtright, Professional Member  
Wilbert Miller, Public Member  
Anne Pikolas, Public Member  
Dr. Jennifer Xenakes, Professional Member

**DIVISION STAFF**

Eileen Heeney, Deputy Attorney General  
Kay Warren, Deputy Director  
Jessica Williams, Administrative Specialist II

**MEMBERS ABSENT**

Tonya Coats, Professional Member

**CALL TO ORDER**

Dr. Connolly-Gaskin called the meeting to order at 2:05 p.m.

Dr. Xenakes made a motion, seconded by Ms. Burtch, to amend the agenda to include reviewing a temporary speech pathologist application for Lindsay Howard, an inactive request from Paula Ruskino and a new CFY supervisor for Alix Workman. Motion unanimously carried.

**REVIEW OF MINUTES**

The Board reviewed the minutes from the August 16, 2011 meeting. Ms. Cloutier made a motion, seconded by Dr. Marencin, to approve the minutes as written. Motion unanimously carried.

## **UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

### **Continued Discussion Regarding Previously Tabled Correspondence from ASHA**

Ms. Williams informed the Board that ASHA has not submitted corrected correspondence regarding the errors that were made in previous correspondence to the Board. Ms. Williams informed the Board that she contacted Susan Adams from ASHA and was previously told that a corrected letter would be sent. Ms. Courtright made a motion, seconded by Ms. Cloutier that Ms. Williams contact ASHA once again, and reiterate the previous request to correct the deficiency and to send the corrected correspondence to the Board.

### **Continued Discussion Regarding Draft of Proposed Legislation for the Treatment of Minors**

Ms. Heeney informed the Board that it is a possibility that consent or disclosure forms be utilized for the treatment of minors. The Board discussed the possibilities of using a consent or disclosure form in the school districts as well as in a hospital setting. Dr. Marencin made a motion, seconded by Ms. Courtright, to table this item for further discussion. Motion unanimously carried.

### **Discussion Regarding ASHA Approved Tele-Practice**

Ms. Courtright informed the Board that she found information in North Carolina's laws regarding tele-practice. She will forward the information to Ms. Williams to send to the Board electronically for further discussion. Dr. Marencin circulated information regarding tele-practice from ASHA's website. Dr. Marencin stated that 12 states currently have statutory language regarding tele-practice. Ms. Courtright made a motion, seconded by Mr. Miller, to table this item for further review of the documents and to continue the discussion during the October meeting. Motion unanimously carried.

## **NEW BUSINESS**

### **Review of Temporary Speech Pathologist Application – Melissa Andrade**

The Board reviewed Melissa Andrade's application for a temporary speech pathologist license. Ms. Cloutier made a motion, seconded by Dr. Xenakes, to approve the application. Motion unanimously carried.

### **Review Temporary Speech Pathologist Application – Meka Battle**

The Board reviewed Meka Battle's application for a temporary speech pathologist license. Ms. Cloutier made a motion, seconded by Dr. Xenakes, to approve the application. Motion unanimously carried.

Review Temporary Speech Pathologist Application – Meagan Kopko

The Board reviewed Meagan Kopko's application for a temporary speech pathologist license. Ms. Cloutier made a motion, seconded by Dr. Xenakes, to approve the application. Motion unanimously carried.

Review of Temporary Speech Pathologist Application – Katie McDavid

The Board reviewed Katie McDavid's application for a temporary speech pathologist license. Ms. Cloutier made a motion, seconded by Dr. Xenakes, to approve the application. Motion unanimously carried.

Review of Temporary Speech Pathologist Application – Glenna Pusey

The Board reviewed Glenna Pusey's application for a temporary speech pathologist license. Ms. Cloutier made a motion, seconded by Dr. Xenakes, to approve the application. Motion unanimously carried.

Review of Temporary Speech Pathologist Application – Karen Crosby

The Board reviewed Karen Crosby's application for a temporary speech pathologist license. Ms. Cloutier made a motion, seconded by Dr. Xenakes, to approve the application. Motion unanimously carried.

Review of Temporary Speech Pathologist Application – Lindsay Howard

The Board reviewed Lindsay Howard's application for a temporary speech pathologist license. Ms. Cloutier made a motion, seconded by Dr. Xenakes, to approve the application. Motion unanimously carried.

Review of Permanent Hearing Aid Dispenser Application – Allison Adkins

The Board reviewed Allison Adkins' application for a permanent hearing aid dispenser license. Dr. Connolly-Gaskin made a motion, seconded by Dr. Marencin, to approve the application. Motion unanimously carried.

Review of Permanent Hearing Aid Dispenser Application – Sharon Collier

The Board reviewed Sharon Collier's application for a permanent hearing aid dispenser license. Dr. Connolly-Gaskin made a motion, seconded by Dr. Marencin, to approve the application. Motion unanimously carried.

Review Request for New CF Supervisor – Jenna Berge

The Board reviewed Jenna Berge's request for a new CF Supervisor. Dr. Connolly-Gaskin made a motion, seconded by Dr. Marencin, to approve Ms. Berge's request to have Annemarie Doordan to be her new CF supervisor.

Review Request for New CF Supervisor – Alix Workman

The Board reviewed Alix Workman's request for a new CF Supervisor. Dr. Connolly-Gaskin made a motion, seconded by Dr. Marencin, to approve Ms. Workman's request to have Nicole Sradamski to be her new CF supervisor.

Ratification of 60 Day Extension for Temporary Speech Pathologist License – Emily Brooks

Ms. Courtright made a motion, seconded by Ms. Cloutier, to ratify the 60 day extension for Emily Brooks' temporary speech pathologist application. Motion unanimously carried.

Review of Continuing Education Activities

Dr. Connolly-Gaskin made a motion, seconded by Ms. Courtright, to approve the following continuing education as noted. Motion unanimously carried.

Sponsor: HealthED **APPROVED**  
Activity: Asperger's, High Functioning Autism & Nonverbal Learning  
Disorder: Moving Beyond the Basics  
Contact Hours: 6 CS

Licensee: Nicole Bush – Zander **APPROVED**  
Sponsor: A.T. Still University – Au.D. Doctoral Program  
Activity: AUD 815 - Health Information for Audiology  
Contact Hours: 5 PG

Licensee: Nicole Bush – Zander **APPROVED FOR PG**  
Sponsor: A.T. Still University – Au.D. Doctoral Program  
Activity: AUD 700 – Professional Roles and Responsibilities  
Contact Hours: 5 PG

Licensee: Nicole Bush – Zander **APPROVED**  
Sponsor: A.T. Still University – Au.D. Doctoral Program  
Activity: AUD 828 – Prevention of Hearing Loss Disability  
Contact Hours: 5 CS

Licensee: Nicole Bush – Zander **APPROVED**  
Sponsor: A.T. Still University – Au.D. Doctoral Program  
Activity: AUD 733 - Tinnitus  
Contact Hours: 5 CS

Licensee: Nicole Bush – Zander **APPROVED FOR PG**  
Sponsor: A.T. Still University – Au.D. Doctoral Program  
Activity: AUD 851 – Professionalism I: Ethics  
Contact Hours: 5 PG

Licensee: Jenine Goren **APPROVED FOR CS**  
Sponsor: Five Star Rehabilitation and Wellness  
Activity: The Breather Treatment of Swallowing and Communication  
Disorders  
Contact Hours: 1.0 CS

Sponsor: Costco Wholesale **APPROVED FOR PG**  
Activity: Hearing Aid Dispensing Update Fall 2011  
Contact Hours: 10 CS

Sponsor: Bayada Nurses **APPROVED FOR 1 PG AND 5 CS**  
Activity: Current Concepts in Home Health Rehabilitation  
Contact Hours: 1 PG & 5 CS

#### Review Proposed Changes to Standards of Accreditation

The Board reviewed the proposed changes to the standards of accreditation for graduate programs. Since there is not currently any graduate programs in Delaware, Dr. Marencin made a motion, seconded by Dr. Connolly-Gaskin, to take no further action. Motion unanimously carried.

#### Memorandum from Director James Collins Regarding Next Legislative Process

The Board reviewed the memorandum from James Collins regarding the upcoming legislative session. Ms. Courtright informed the Board that the Committee will be meeting at 8:30 a.m. on October 18, 2011 to finish reviewing the draft of the proposed statute and regulations for SLPA's. The Board will review the previously circulated information regarding tele-practice to discuss during the October meeting. The Board also plans to update the statute to show that supervisors will need to be licensed in Delaware. The Board is preparing to have a final draft of the proposed statute as well as the rules and regulations prepared by the November meeting.

#### Discussion Regarding Research Study Licensure Requests

Dr. Connolly-Gaskin informed the Board that she was contacted by Diane Brewer regarding research studies. Ms. Brewer is requesting to conduct a research study and was inquiring if she would need a license. Ms. Heeney will draft a letter to Ms. Brewer outlining the requirements of the 30 day waiver.

#### Review of Inactive Status Request – Alicia Parson

The Board reviewed Ms. Parson's request to be placed on inactive status. Dr. Marencin made a motion, seconded by Ms. Courtright, to deny Ms. Parson's request for inactive status pending the outcome of the post renewal audit. Motion unanimously carried.

#### Review of Inactive Status Request – Paulina Ruskino

The Board reviewed Ms. Ruskino's request to be placed on inactive status. Dr. Marencin made a motion, seconded by Ms. Courtright, to deny Ms. Ruskino's request for inactive status pending the outcome of the post renewal audit. Motion unanimously carried.

#### Discussion Regarding Revision to Rule 9.2.1.4

Ms. Heeney informed the Board that there is obvious and problematic language in the current regulations especially in regards to section 9.2.1.4. It does not clearly define what telecommunication is. She suggested that the Board review the language and make any necessary changes.

### **Correspondence**

There was no correspondence.

### **Other Business before the Board**

Ms. Williams informed the Board that the audit review will take place during the October 18, 2011 meeting. She stated that some licensees who were selected requested their CE transcripts from ASHA and there is a delay.

### **Public Comment**

There was no public comment.

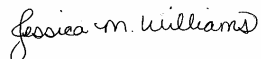
### **Next Scheduled Meeting**

The next meeting will be held on Tuesday, October 18, 2011, at 1:00 p.m., in Conference Room B, second floor of the Cannon Building, 861 Silver Lake Boulevard, Dover, Delaware.

### **Adjournment**

Ms. Courtright made a motion, seconded by Ms. Cloutier, to adjourn. Motion unanimously carried. There being no further business before the Board, the meeting adjourned at 4:17 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Jessica Williams  
Administrative Specialist II